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## 2800 Pinellas Court

The Columbus Division of Police is investigating an incident that occurred in the area of 2800 Pinellas Court on Saturday, June 3, 2017. The incident has generated rumors and speculation throughout social media.

Officers were dispatched to the location on allegations of a child being abused and a possible kidnapping. One call to dispatchers stated a woman was making threats to the caller, accusing her of having the woman's child. The caller also stated the same woman was hitting the child with a shoe. A separate call from another person stated someone had kidnapped her son because they saw her hitting her son. Additional calls were received by communications personnel while officers were in route to the scene. During one of the calls, a dispatcher could hear someone making threats and sounds indicative of a physical confrontation.

Officers arrived at the scene and found a woman lying face down in the doorway of 2800 Pinellas Court. A man identifying himself as her husband was standing by her and advised officers she had been assaulted with some kind of device similar to a taser. Officers also observed a woman sitting on the steps of 2806 Pinellas Court bleeding from her mouth. She informed officers she had been assaulted by a man.

Officers briefly detained the man at the scene. Multiple victims and witnesses were interviewed at the scene. No arrests were made due to the lack of physical evidence and conflicting stories by all parties at the scene. Officers were unable to determine who the primary aggressor was in the incident. Two women were transported to area hospitals for injuries related to this incident. The injuries, reported at the time of the incident, did not rise beyond the level of a misdemeanor assault. All parties were referred to the City of Columbus Prosecutors Office, as is standard protocol when probable cause for an arrest cannot be established.

There is no evidence at this time suggesting the incident involved any type of bias which would constitute the incident being investigated as a hate crime. Please see the attached calls associated with this incident.

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